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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

THIS IS IT!

THE ULTIMATE
BATTLE BEGINS HERE!

END GAME

PART 1 OF 4



It is the year 3235 on the planet Mobius and the war being fought upon its surface lands has entered its eleventh year. A war that began as another had just concluded. A war that had its origins from the seeds of betrayal within.

Barlord Julian had seized the power and authority of the House of Acorn, and exiled the King forevermore to the Zone of Silence. Upon which, Julian became Robotnik and began a systematic conquest of the now-renamed Robotropolis and all its inhabitants.

It is now the eve of what may prove to be the final battle between the successors to the House of Acorn and its usurper. A battle full of heroes and villains, winners and losers, those that survive and those who have fallen...

THERE'S OUR
TARGET FOR TONIGHT,
SONIC!

BUT OF
COURSE!

ARE
YOU?

YOU SURE
YOU'RE UP TO IT,
SAL?

I'M ALWAYS
UP FOR TRASHIN' OL'
RO-BUTT-NIK!

FIRST, WE
GOTTA GET
WHERE WE'RE
GOING --

COOOOM

--IS IF YOU
GET THERE WITH
STYLE!

HANG
ON,
SAL!

HAVE I ANY
CHOICE?

--AND THE
ONLY WAY TO
GET THERE ~

"THEY'VE REACHED PINNACLE--"

--RIGHT ON
SCHEDULE!"

IF ALL GOES
AS PLANNED,
ROBOTNIK
WON'T EVEN
KNOW WHAT
HIT HIM!

I'D AGREE
ONLY IF THE PACK
WERE HANDLING
THIS!

YOU'D
DO WELL TO
REMEMBER
THIS!

NOW,
SIGNAL THE
OTHERS!

ELSEWHERE IN ANOTHER
SECTOR OF THE CITY...

WE'RE NOT
FREE AGENTS,
DRAGO!

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND!
I'M A DOCTOR,
NOT A COM-
MANDO!

YOU ARE HERE,
DOCTAIRE, BECAUSE
YOU WERE ORDERED
TO BE!

IN ZE
EVENT OF
EMERGENCY
WE MAY
NEED--

ZUT ALORS! MY
COMMUNICATOR!



EVEN IF SONIC IS READY TO CONTINUE, I'M NOT SURE I AM!

"THERE'S STILL TOO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS!"

"EVER SINCE THE CAMPFIRE DISCUSSION I CONDUCTED--"

"LAST ISSUE-- J.FREDDY"

"--THINGS GOT ONLY MORE COMPLICATED."

PRINCESS SALLY!

COME QUICK, CHILD!

WHAT IS IT, ROSIE?

"SHE COULD NOT BRING HERSELF TO SAY, BUT I UNDERSTOOD FULLY WHEN I SAW--"

DADDY!

REALLY, MY DEAR SALLY!

WHAT'S BECOME OF YOUR REGAL BEARING?

IT'S JUST THAT--

EVERYTHING IS ON A NEED TO KNOW BASIS, MY DAUGHTER!

NOBODY HAD INFORMED ME OF YOUR RECOVERY, FATHER!

WE HAVE SO MUCH TO DO--

--AND VERY FEW WE CAN REALLY TRUST!

AS WE SPEAK,
ROBOTHIK IS SET TO UN-
LEASH HIS MOST DEVASTATING
ATTACK YET!

IN ADDITION--

--IT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION WE MAY HAVE A TRAITOR IN OUR MIDST.

NONE OTHER THAN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

NO!

THIS ISN'T A TIME FOR WEAKNESS, SALLY!

I NEED HIM TO ACCOMPANY YOU ON YOUR NEXT MISSION--

--SO THAT YOU MAY ASCERTAIN WHERE HIS TRUE LOYALTIES LIE!

"I COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT I HAD JUST HEARD. ALL OF A SUDDEN, I FELT AS THOUGH MY FATHER WAS A STRANGER TO ME!"

EVEN NOW--

~I KNOW IN MY HEART SONIC WOULD NEVER BETRAY US!

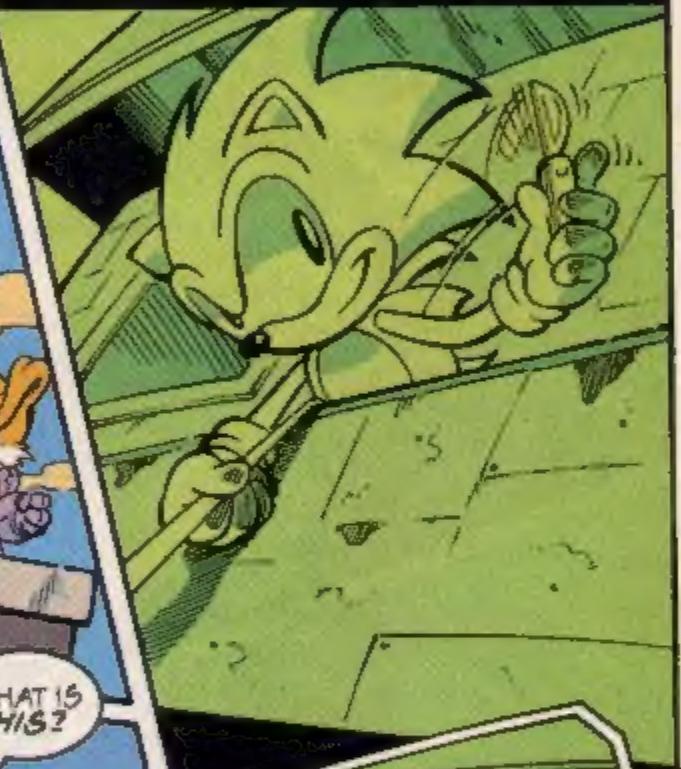
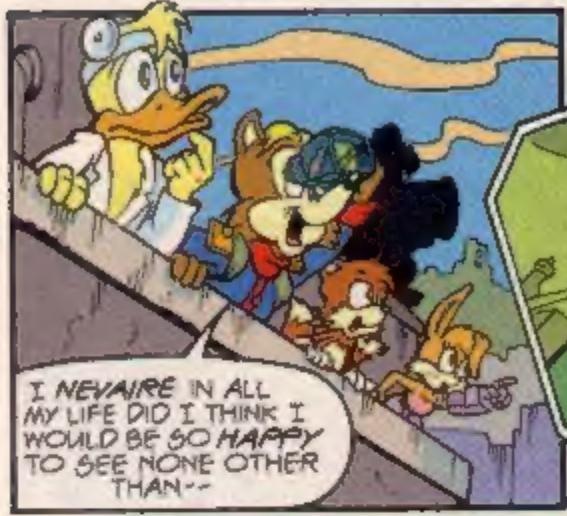
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GIVE THE WORD!

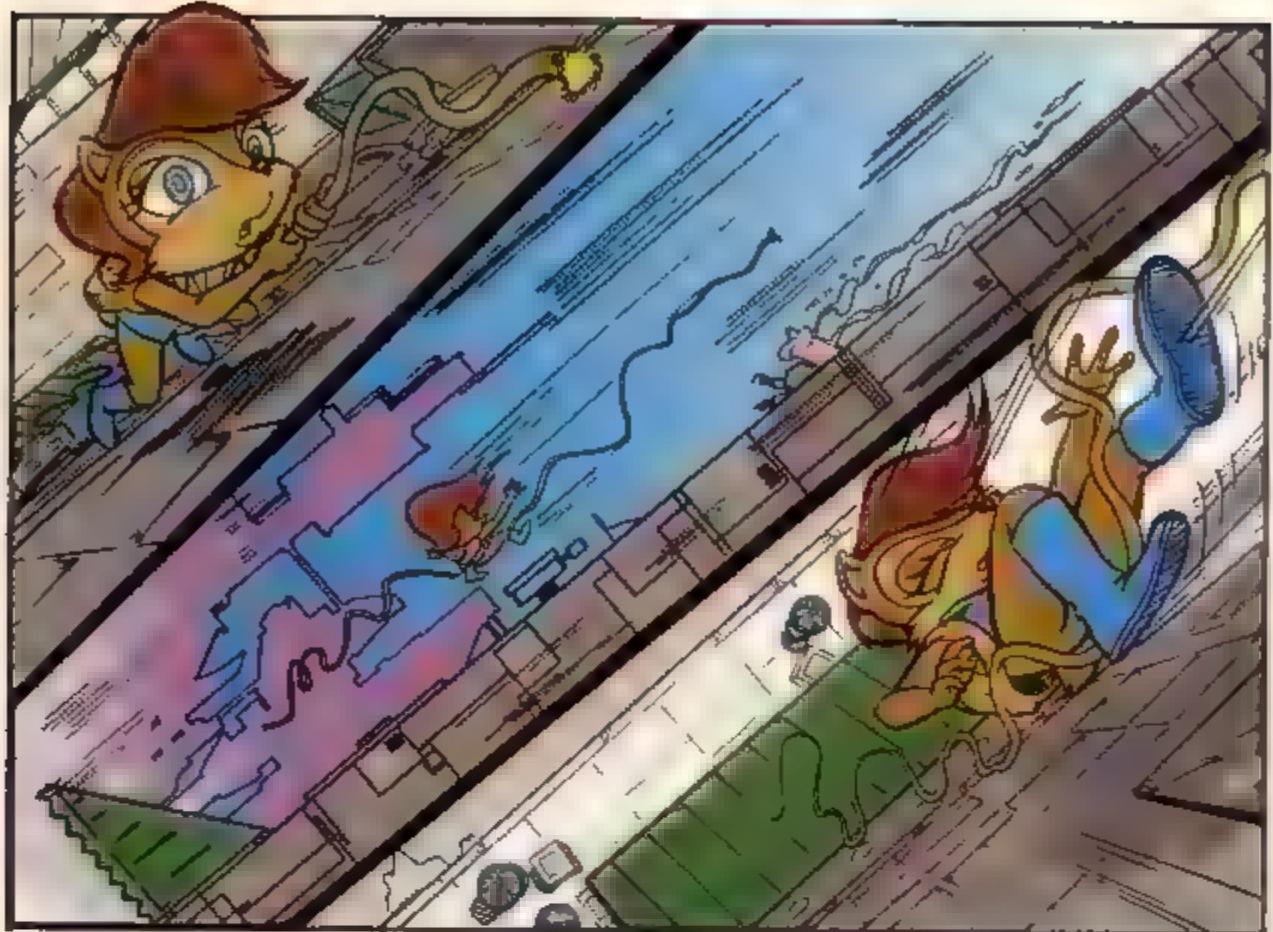


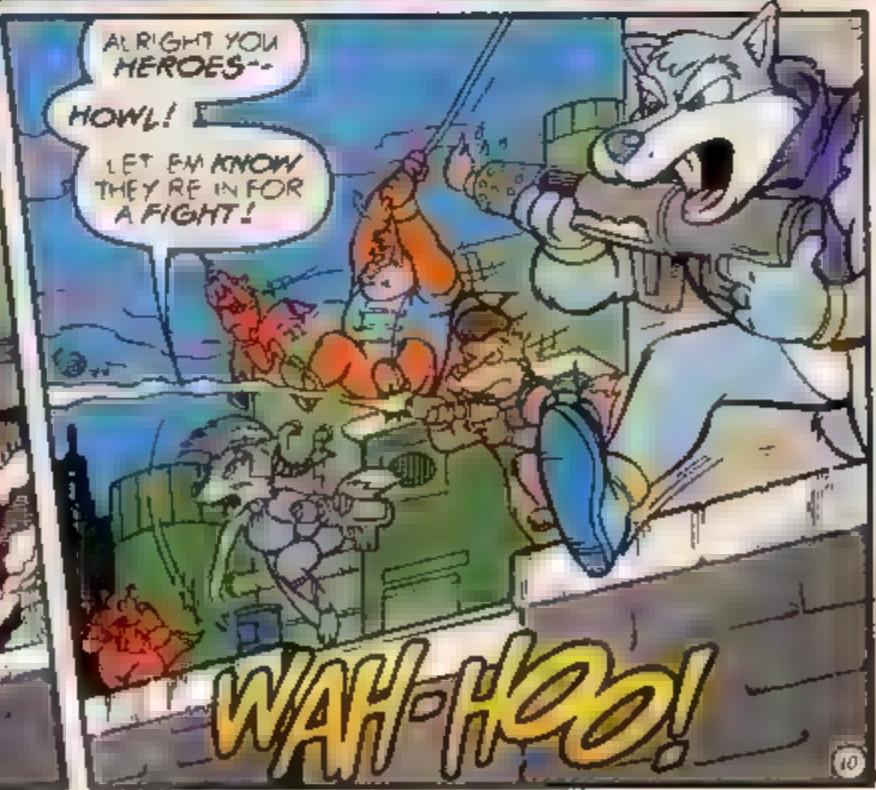


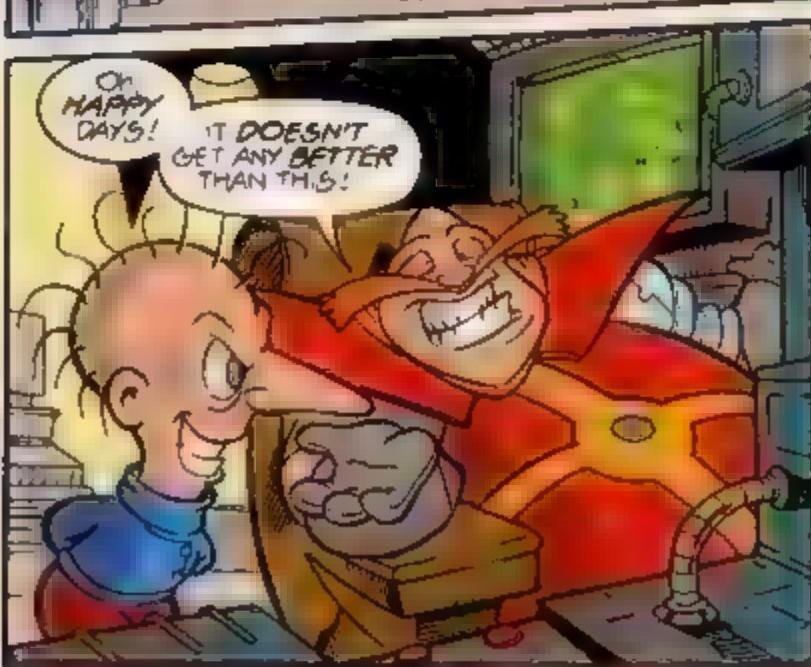
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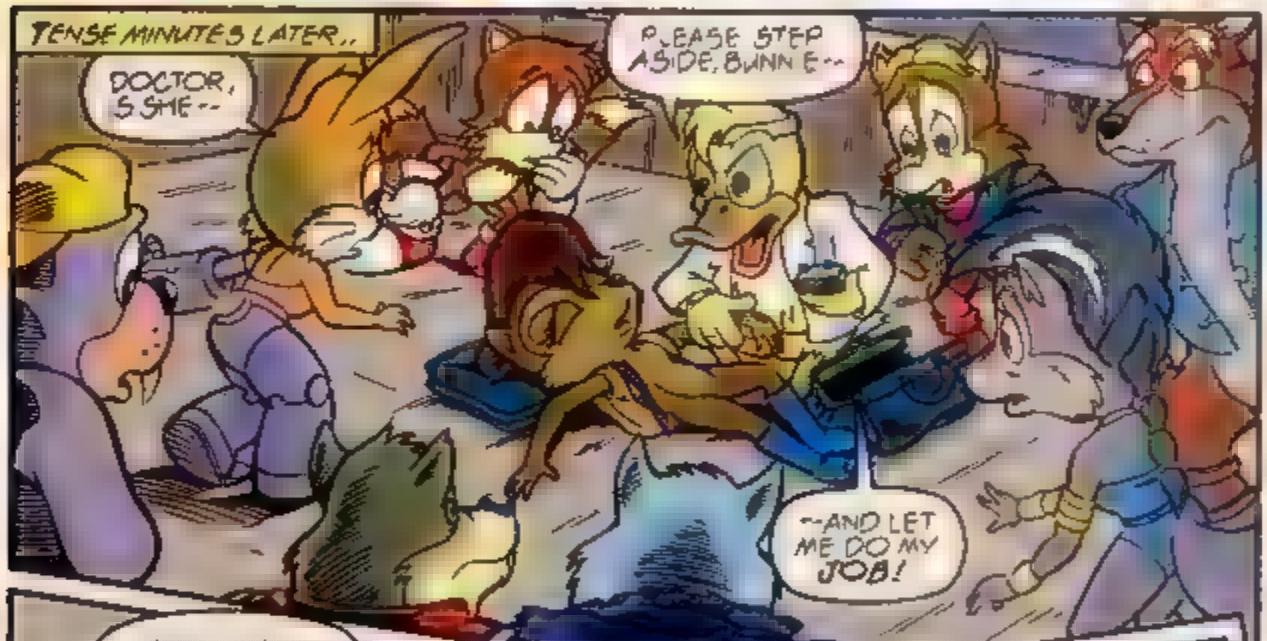


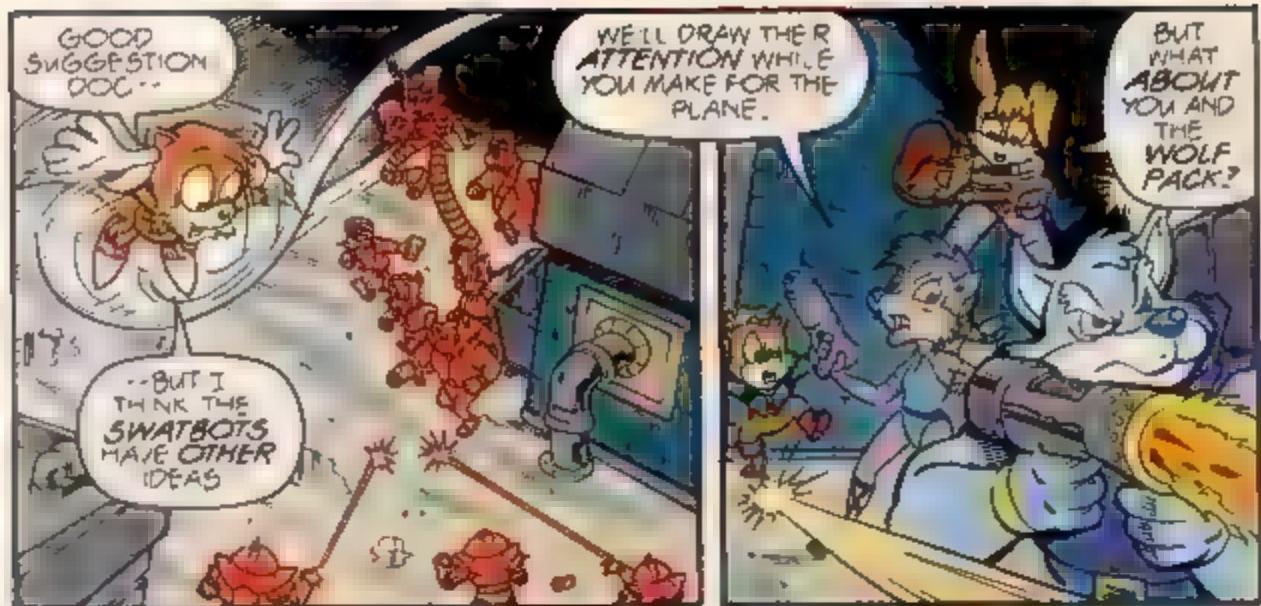














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PROVIDED I DON T
ARRIVE BEFORE THEY
DO, THAT IS!"

WHAT A RELIEF!
MOST OF MY UNDER-
GROUND TRANSIT
SYSTEM SURVIVED
THE DISASTER
SNIVELY!"

"BACK IN SONIC #37--FREDDY

HERE S OUR STOP.
ROBOTROPOLIS
SOUTH!

QUICKLY,
SNIVELY. THERE
ISN T A MOMENT
TO SPARE!

I DON T WANT
TO BE CUT-OFF FROM
THE ACTION ANY LONGER
THAN NECESSARY!

GO GET ME
A QUART OF
THE GOOD STUFF,
SNIVELY!

ALL THIS
EXCITEMENT HAS
MADE ME VERY
THIRSTY!

YES,
SIR! R GHT
AWAY!

~LET S SEE
IF THIS IS THE
NEWS I NEED
WHEN I NEED
IT!

NOW~

BEFORE LONG, AT
THE KNOTHOLE MEDICAL
CENTER...

WHAT
COULD BE
TAKING SO
LONG?

EASY, LAD TH'
DOCTOR'S DOIN' ALL
HE CAN.

WE JUST HAVE
TO HOPE NO NEWS
IS GOOD NEWS!

WELL?
DOC...?





...I SENTENCE YOU
TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT
ON THE DEVIL'S GULAG!

TAKE
HIM
AWAY!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

IS
FINALLY

TAKING THE FALL!

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THIS JUST IN!

**ENDGAME HAS BEGUN!
ROBOTNIK'S ULTIMATE PLAN
OF REVENGE AGAINST
SONIC AND THE FREEDOM
FIGHTERS HAS FINALLY
REACHED FRUITION!**

Because of it, life in Knothole will never be the same! With our hero being framed for the loss of his greatest love, Sonic must brave against all odds; battle against friend and enemy alike to clear his good name and to find the one responsible! How will he do it? Come back here in thirty days for the answer in "End Game, Part Two," in a story we had to call "Sonic The Fugitive!" Written by Ken Penders and Kent Taylor with art chores by Manny Galan and Pam Ekland! On sale early April 1997!



SONIC #42
On sale APRIL 1997



KNUCKLES #3
THE DARK LEGION
On sale MARCH 1997



SONIC &
KNUCKLES
BATTLE ROYAL #1
On sale APRIL 1997

Also in two weeks: KNUCKLES: THE DARK LEGION #3 (OF 3)! The Floating Island is on fire!! Knuckles and The Chaotix now have two enemies to overcome! The fire and the ones who started it: a nasty group of Enerjak's disciples calling themselves "The Dark Legion!" Talk about being caught between a rock and a 'hot' place. Including never before scenes of The Echidnas' history! The final issue in the triple-combo cover collection. Check it out! On sale late March 1997!

Also, don't forget about the up-coming 48-page special that takes place before the events in this issue. "KnucklesQuest" is over but the saga of the Sword of Acorns is not. Mammoth Mogul and his Fearsome Foursome want it for their own purposes. Devising a plan that will keep Knuckles and The Chaotix from delivering the sword to Princess Sally and The Freedom Fighters, isn't that much of a problem when you know what their weaknesses are. That's what being a villain is all about. It is a tale we could only call "SONIC VS. KNUCKLES: BATTLE ROYAL!"

By the writing duo of Taylor and Penders. Art by electrifying new-comer Sam Maxwell! On sale in late April 1997!

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Some of the letters received, the writers request, guarantee that all correspondence will be published and reserve the right to edit messages to keep our site clean.

Dear Sonic-Grams,

Issue #41 was very strange, but awesome. I hope that King Acorn begins to remember his own daughter in issues to come. I guess being in that zone for so long gave him amnesia. I think Spaz and Harvo's artwork combined is such a thrill! The colors are so cool. There should be more comics with their artwork. Your comics are exceptional and I enjoy collecting them. The questions to the origins of Sonic, Sally, Knuckles and other great, lovable characters make the comic more interesting. How's about a Sonic The Hedgehog movie. I may have ideas for this, but I have tons of homework, as well as having to keep on task to get the senior rank both semesters. Don't forget that imagination is power!

Elizabeth "Kazor" Beardsley
Martinsville, VA

(Mecha Madness), it is said Tails met Athair, Knuckles' great grandfather in the Tails mini-series! Are those issues still available? Well, I got to run.

Duncan Russell
Baltimore

Eet iz moi again! I would like to know why you liked issue #41 when I was not even eet. And, I do not like 'zis St. John character. trust 'im about as far as could be tossing 'im! 2) That red freak gets a minivette but no' for me... boohoo. 3) 'Ze Sea Fox is Tail's little submarine cat Roter built for 'em. 4) You can squint 'ze comic mini-series from 'ze "Sonic Checklist" een 'ze last page of 'ze comic book!

Dear Sonic,
SONIC #41 was awesome! I can't believe you rescued King Acorn! Great job! You should go on quest like that to try and derobotize Uncle Chuck and Muttski. I have some questions and comments: 1) In the cartoon, King Acorn was held in the "Void" (not the same as "Zone of Silence") in SONICQUEST #1, the king became crystallized like in the cartoon but he also lost his memory, why? Now that they have King Acorn, once they cure the king, it looks like the alternate future from SONIC IN YOUR FACE special #1 may come true.
Philip Opaza
Springfield, PA

1) Een're comic, 'ze Void waz confused wit' 'ze Zone of Silence. We found out latair that the two whair different. 2) 'Ze cartoon and 'ze comic are not one and 'ze same. Zo thair are certain events 'zat 'appened 'zat might be 'ze same whair thair are others that aren't. 'Ze king iz a perfect example of 'zat.

LETTERS FROM THE NET

Hey Sonic-Grams,

I saw the Sonic cartoon series and was instantly entranced (the one on ABC, not the syndicated version which is not nearly as good). That's when I started buying the comics and video games. Now that the series is canceled off ABC, I hear Sally is going to be canceled too. Why not Antoine! NO ONE can mean NO ONE likes him at all. A lot of people love Sally and don't want to see her pass away. I know how comic book death works so please if you can, bring her back... and SOON! I want to see a level-headed leadership and innocence back in the issues of SONIC (not that I don't enjoy it just to hear Sonic joke about Robotnik's weight problem). Please bring our Princess back to us! I know this letter might sound corny, but hey, it is the internet! Thank you for listening to my rantings.
Jay Macfarlane
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What do you mean no one likes me! Everyone likes me! You must 'ave me mistaken with another Antoine. Hmph. I am also greatly saddened by the loss of my Princess Sally. I can't believe Sonic could do such a thing. If I didn't see wit' my own two eyes, I would 'ave nevar believed eet. Keep reading, Jay, 'cause as 'zey say een 'ze movies, "Life iz like a box of chili dogs, you nevar know what you're going to get." 'Zee you next month!